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1. HAVE NOTED CACCIA REFERENCE IN JULY 11 CONVERSATION WITH UNDER SECRETARY TO NEED FOR ENHANCING WESTERN MILITARY AND PARTICULARLY LIMITED WAR CAPABILITY DURING BERLIN MORATORIUM AND POSSIBLE DESIRABILITY, TO THIS END, OF US-UK DISCUSSION (AFTER UK ELECTION) OF OVER-ALL BALANCE IN COMBINED US-UK MILITARY EFFORT.

2. WHETHER OR NOT BERLIN MORATORIUM ACHIEVED, BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL BRING THIS CONVERSATION ATTENTION SECRETARY MCELROY AND JCS, AND CONSIDER WITH THEM DESIRABILITY SUCH US-UK DISCUSSIONS AS MEANS OF ENCURING OPTIMUM BALANCE BETWEEN DIFFERENT ASPECTS US-UK MILITARY EFFORT, SO THAT US;

A. WILL BE READY RESPOND FUTURE UK PROPOSALS THIS SUBJECT;

B. CAN MAKE ADVANCE PREPARATIONS TO PLAY EFFECTIVE PART IN SUCH DISCUSSIONS, IF THEY MATERIALIZE.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING KEPT INFORMED.

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